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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Letter dated 9 August 1995 from the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to the Secretary-General

At its forty-ninth session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 49/105, on cultural development, in which it decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session a sub-item entitled "Cultural development".

As you are aware, at its second special session, which was held at the headquarters of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in Paris from 3 to 7 April 1995, the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Decade for Cultural Development adopted recommendation No. 1, in which it requested the Director-General to schedule the Committee's fifth and final regular session for the month of April 1997 so that it would coincide with the end of the Decade.

In the light of the foregoing, it would be preferable for the report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to be considered at the fifty-second session of the General Assembly in 1997 rather than at the fifty-first session in 1996, as provided for in Assembly resolution 49/105. We should also like to propose that the report on Decade activities undertaken during the period 1995-1996, which is due to be submitted to the 1996 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, be deferred to the 1997 substantive session for subsequent transmission by the Council to the General Assembly.

(Signed) Federico MAYOR

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